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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR LATF FOR UCR FACULTY OF
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

REF: (A) SANJOSE 2481; (B) STATE 142361

(C) SAN JOSE 2768

1. IN ADDITION TO FULBRIGHT PROFESSOR REQUESTED FOR THE
FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DISCUSSED IN

REF (A) AND (B), THE EMBASSY PROPOSES MAKING AVAILABLE
A LATIN AMERICAN TEACHING FELLOW (LATF) TO THIS SAME
FACULTY. CANDIDATE WOULD BE MADE TO UCR IN LIEU OF ABORTIVE
OFFER TO SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, REF (C). WE HAVE DISCUSSEJG
WITH ACTING DEAN FERNANDO NARANJO WHO IS MOST RECEPTIVE
AND DESIRES LATF AS SOON AS AVAILABLE, AND AT LEAST FOR
NOKOLSEMESTER, BEGINNING MARCH. DEPARTMENT SHOULD
BEAR IN MIND THAT THIS REQUEST IS IN ADDITION TO, AND NOT
INSTEAD OF, FULBRIGHT REQUEST FOR SAME FACULTY.
WE ASSURED NARJANO THAT FULBRIGHT REQUEST WILL CONTINUE
TO HAVE FIRST PRIORITY.

2. THIS REQUEST ARISES OUT OF THE FAILURE OF THE JOURNALISM
SCHOOL PROJECT AND OUR LEARNING FROM JON DILL, GUATEMALA,
THAT HE HAD A POSSIBLE CANDIDATE WHO SEEMED PARTICULARLY
WELL SUITED FOR THE NEEDS OF THE ECONOMICS SCHOOL OF THE
FACULTY AND WHO, IF HE IS AS GOOD AS HE LOOKS ON PAPER,
COULD MAKE A PARTICULARLY POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE ECONOMIC
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SCENE HERE. THIS CANDIATE IS PETER CAUGHLIN, MA

MICHIGAN AND PHD CANDIDATE NEW MEXICO. CAUGHLIN HAS DONE WORK ON LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MONETARY THEORY AND HIS PHD THESIS IS ON TESTING PREDICTIVE ACCURACY OF INPUT, OUTPUT ANALYSIS. BOTH TOPICS, NARANJO FEELS, ARE MOST PERTINENT TO SITUATION HERE. HE CONTEMPLATES PUTTING CUAGHLIN TO WORK TEACHING AT LEAST ONE COURSE, CONDUCTING FACULTY SEMINARS, AND WORKING IN THE FACULTY'S ECONOMIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE (NARANJO IS PERMANENT DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE).

3. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO GET BACK TO DILL AFTER TALKING TO NARANJO. (HE RECENTLY DEPARTED ON HOMELEAVE.) WE UNDERSTAND HE WILL SPEND PART OF LEAVE, C/O RICHARD JAEGER, HIALEAH DRIVE, RD #1, COTTS NECK, NEW JERSEY, 07722, TELEPHONE 201-946-4268 (WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO REACH HIME THERE).

4. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL OF FUNDING OF ONE LATF FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SCIENCES FACULTY (IN ADDITION TO PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED FULBRIGHT PROFESSOR).

B. DEPARTMENT'S HELP IN SECURING SERVICES OF CAUGHLIN OR SIMILARLY QUALIFIED CANDIDATE (SUGGEST YOU CONTACT DILL IN NEW JERSEY).

C. PLEASE FURNISH STATUS REPORT SOONEST, PLUS ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS CONCERNING AVAILABILITY AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF CAUGHLIN, OR IF HE IS NOT AVAILABLE, OTHER CANDIDATE. CONSIDERATIONS CONCERNING IMPORTANCE OF THIS FACULTY TO THE COMMUNITY DESCRIBED IN REF (A), PARTICULARLY IN PARAGRAPH 4, APPLY AS WELL TO THIS NOMINATION AND MIGHT BE DISCUSSED WITH POTENTIAL CANDIDATES.

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